A SENSATION EXPLODED. The Story that Boath is Alive in Alabumn Contradicted on the Best Au-

A Boston special says : An item recently appeared in a Boston paper to the effect that some person in Alabama had published a book in which he attempted to show that John Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Lincoln, will still alive. It is not generally known that Booth at the time of his death left a widow and two children, yet such appears to be the fact. A man in this city who professes to be well acquainted with the widow of Booth recently addressed her a letter enclosing the paragraph, and suggesting that any thing she might write in relation to it would prove interesting to the public. He received a reply from the widow, in which she makes the following state-

"An item has just come to my no tice of some man, unknown, in Bir-mingham, Ala., who has a desire to resurrect John Wilkes Booth. Whoever this man may be, let me warn the public that his only motive must be to make money; for as sure as the sun shines in the heavens so sure is John Wilkes Booth dead. I myself saw him buried; saw and examined his body before it was laid in its final resting-place. He carried marks upon his body known only to his family and intimate friends, and these marks were identified by his family. We all know that the last act of his life was wrong. We also know we should not judge. We know not the why or wherefore, but it is my opinion that those of us who live long enough will yet learn that, although it was John W. Booth's hands that struck the fatal blow that ended a good man's life, yet it was those in high authority who were the head of a diabolical conspiracy, Andrew Johnson leader, the result of which steeped several families in the deepest of woe, and left a nation to mourn. Although not generally known, J. W. Booth left a family; a wife and two children, a daughter and a son, now grown to womanhood and manhood. This family has lived in seclusion and under a false name for twenty years. For these innocent ones' sakes, let their dead alone and let them sorrow in peace. I beg for the sake of the Booth family, now mourning over the death of the mother of J. Wilkes Booth, that the public will show some little charity and leave the wrongs that some one has done in the hands of a higher Power, who, in His own good time, will make all things right. Let the dead rest for the sake of the living and the innocent."

SAWED THEIR WAY OUT. May Seventern Prisoners Escaped from a Pennsylvanja Jall.

A Beaver (Pa.) special says: About I o'clock this morning seventeen of the prisoners in the Beaver-county jail sawed their way into the jail yard. scaled the wall, and escaped. Tom Rankin, one of the most notorious criminals in the State, did the sawing, assisted by "Lent" Hallibaugh, Rankin is wanted for numerous burglaries in escaped from several of the strongest in the country. The others who escaped are: James Barnes, forgery : John Johnson, horse-stealing ; John Collan, attempt to kill; John Morrow, assault and battery; William. L. Daubenmeyer, burglary and assault ; ment; Patrick Roe, highway robbery; David Redick, horse-stealing, and seven minor prisoners. Redick, becoming alarmed, returned to his cell; J. B. Ewing, a United States prisoner, stood

made no effort to get away. Three

others were locked up in cells and had no chance to go with the rest. Scouts are out in all directions, but none of

the fugitives have been recaptured. This is the second delivery from this

iail inside of a month. The French Spoliation Claimants. A Washington special says : Dallas Sanders, who represents a large number of the claimants for the French spoliation fund, appeared before the court here to-day and presented the claims taken in charge by the Insurance Company of Pennsylvania and the Insurance Company of North America. They were thirty in number and represented separate claims of Philadelphia residents aggregating nearly \$200,000 in amount. The preliminary papers only in each case were filed and the proofs and affidavits of losses will follow as soon as the court is ready for actual business. There are a number of other individual claims from Philadelphia which have been coming in from time to time, and the indications are that the aggregate will be greatly in excess of those filed from any other city. Commissioner Breadhead, who has been in Europe collecting facts relating to the seizures of the vessels, has brought home a report which is understood to be very favorable to the claimants, and which will simplify considerably the work of proving the losses.

Richmond Theatre.

Yesterday afternoon and night the Theatre audience were taken by surprise. The Academy Opera Company gave at the matinee a very pleasing and excellent rendition of Strauss's opera "Prince Methusalem," and at night Offenbach's "La Perichole." Miss Jennie Winston, in both operas, did full justice to the roles. The appreciation of her singing and dramatization was shown by frequent encores. Her drinking song in the second act of La Perichole was artistically and beautifully sang and it had three encores. Miss Louise Searle was very charming and acted and sang with taste and finish. Messrs. Appleby, Bell, Hogan, and Hazeman were all good, and Appleby's solos in the Methusalem were thoroughly enjoyed. The chorus is in good training and sang admirably. The ladies are graceful and pretty, but there perhaps may be an increase in the male voices of the chorus to make it unexceptionable.

The houses were good, but not such as a company like the Academy Opera Company has the right to expect.

LATE WEATHER REPORT.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] WASHINGTON, December 6-1 A.
M.-For the Middle Atlantic States, generally fair weather, northwest to southwest winds, colder Sunday morning, followed by warmer weather, slight For the South Atlantic States, fair

weather, winds generally from west to south, slight rise in temperature. For Richmond and vicinity, fair weather-colder.

The Weather in Richmond Yesterday was clear, partly cloudy, and cold.
Range of Thermometer Yesterday.

THE STORM AT COLON. Vessels Sant-Lives Lost-Buildings Dom

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] PANAMA ria GALVESTON, December 5.-The terrible storm which com-menced in Colon Wednesday afternoon be-

menced in Colon Wednesday afternoon between 1 and 2 wclock, and continued with
great severity Thursday, did considerable
damage to the shipping in the harbor. Of
29 vessels anchored in the harbor, only 15
can now be seen. Many of them were sunk
with their crews. The loss of life cannot at
present be estimated.
Several of the docks were badly injured,
notably that of the Royal Mail Company,
the Pacific Mail Canal Company, and No. 4
dock, newly built. The office of the Royal
Mail Company is in a very critical condition. It was dislodged from its foundation
by the terrific gale and the force of the
heavy seas dashing against it. Traffic on
the Panama railroad has been suspended.
The track at Aherca and Lagarte is submerged.

Storm on the Lakes.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] CHICAGO, December 5 .- The weather here this morning, and throughout the Northwest generally, is clear and cold. The Northwest generally, is clear and cold. The mercury here indicates 28 degrees above zero. A storm has I night raged in a fearful manner on the Lake, and it is feared that a great deal of damage was done to the shipping. Four or five vessels were discovered off the mouth of the river this morning, having been mable to make port on account of the heavy sea and because the rigging could not be handled by reason of a heavy coating of ice, which completely encased it.

cased it.

The storm last night beat upa tremendon see along the lake shore. The waves ran ex-

CHESTER, PA., December 5.—The Government cruiser "Chicago" was launched at 11:30 A. M. from the ship-yard of John Roach & Son, now operated by Naval-Constructor E. W. Steele, acting for the Buesu of Construction, and Chief-Engineer W. W. Dungan, acting for the Buerau of Steam Engineering. The vessel was christened by Miss Edith Cleburne, of Philadelphia, who, besides breaking the customary bottle of wine over the vessel's bow, liberated a canary, an Irish linnet, grd an oriole. The 'Chicago' is the largest of the four vessels contracted for by John Roach & Son, and when completed will be one of the most formidable vessels of our navy, and will rank insize and speed among the higher classes of cruising vessels of the world. A large number of naval officers and many visitors were present. John Roach was a prominent figure about the yard. There are no other vessels on the ways. Roach says that if American people want ships he will build them. CHESTER, PA., December 5 .- The

The Mexican Troubles

By telegraph to the Dispatch.;
St. Louis, December 5.—The latest dvices from Monterey, Mexico, are that a

Rathroad Wreck in Texas

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

GALVESTON, December 5.—A. dis atch to the News from Abilene, Tex., dated yesterday, makes a meagre mention of the wreck of the west-bound passenger train on the Texas Pacific road nine miles east of Gordon. Two of the passengers. Colonel Ferry and Mr. Merchant, arrived at Abilene hast night. Both of them are severely wounded. Twenty-six other passengers are reported to be badly injured. Among them are several women and children. Owing to the latteness of the hour and a prevailing storm it was impossible to obtain further particulars last night.

Vessel and Crew Lost. [By telegraph to the Dispaten.] from Hong Kong last evening. She reports having picked up Capitain Passmore and eleven of the crew of the Britisk ship Albula on October 25th. The Albula was wreeked during a typhoon of Loc-Choo islands on October 14th. while on a voyage from Hastings Mills. British Columbia. to Shanghai. Ten of her crew were lost. She has been before reported as having been passed abandoned and water-logged in latitude 25 degrees horth, longitude 130 east.

Storm in Nebraska. SAN FRANCISCO, December 5 .- The by, watching the others escape, but

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] OMAHA, NEB., December 5.—A errible wind-storm prevailed here yesterday and last night. The velocity of the day and last hight. The velocity of the wind for several hours was estimated at sixty miles per hour. Considerable damage has been done to buildings in Omaha and vicinity, although not of a very serious nature. Trains could not cross the union Pacific bridge for several hours on account of the wind. At Central City the new Methodist college building was partly blown down. Farm buildings throughout the State have been more or less wrecked.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]
MONTREAL, December 5.—The offiial returns at the health office show five cial returns at the health office show five deaths from small-pox in this city yester-day, one in Cote St. Louis, three in St. Cunegonde, and one in St. Henri. Fifteen new cases were reported and twelve veri-fied. Ten patients were removed to hospi-tais. All patients in St. Roche's Hospital except four bad cases have been removed to the since of the Crystal Palace building on the Exhibition grounds.

The Piegans Again.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] OMAHA, NEB., December 5.—Reorts at army headquarters show that the ports at army headquasters show that the Flegans are again off their reservation in Wyoming, and are making it uncomfortable for settlers and neighboring indians. Abouta week ago a band of Plegan marauders ran off a herd of 400 horses from the muche of Plenty Cones, on Sweet-Grass river. After four days' chase Cones and his men overtook the thieves near Crazy mountain, secovered all but fifty of their horses, and killed one Indian.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.] DETROIT, December 5 .- The Polish church troubles here are in a fair way to be ettled. Father Kalasinski states that he has reason to believe that all charges against him will be withdrawn. To-mornow morning he will advise his people to go to other churches until a settlement shall have been effected. He intimates that his accusers will find that they have made more trouble for themselves than they have for him.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]
INDIANAPOLIS, December 5.—The night-express train on the Cincinnati, Inwas wrecked last night near Saint Anne. High winds blew several freight cars of the siding to the main track, and the express dashed into it. Engineer J. Bassett, and Fireman Lewis Krintier were injured, the latter receiving probably fatal injuries. No one else was hurt. The Irain was not badly damaged.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)
ANNAPOLIS, MD., December 5.— Henry A. Wiley, of Texas, a cadet of the third class, who was recently dismissed from the Naval Academy by sentence of court-martial for baxing, has re-entered the Academy under a decision of the Attorney-General, who finds that there was a legal flaw in the proceedings of the court-martial, Cadet Wiley was reprimanded by Secretary Whitney for his conduct.

The Cotton Supply. [By telegraph to the Dispatch.] NEW YORK, December 5 .- The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 2,569,861 bales, of which 2,293,561 bales are American, against 1,815,603 bales and 2,342,903 bales, respectively, last year. The receipts at all interior towns were 207,660 bales; the receipts from plantations were 285,019. The crop in sight was 3,464,993 bales.

Pow to Canada. (By telegraph to the Dispatch.)
QUEBEC, December 5.—One of the fercest snow- and wind-storms experi-enced here for years has been in progress since early this morning. About two feet of anow has fallen on a level, and country roads are becoming blocked up with drifts seven and eight feet deep.

Horsford's Acid Phosphate,

FOR ALCOHOLISM. Dr. J. S. Hullman, Philadelphia, Pa., says: "It is of good service in the troubles arising from alcoholism, and gives satisfaction in my practice." THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

IN THE HALLS OF CONGRESS.

Setting Rendy for Work-Drawing for Seats Sherman's Bloody-Shirt Antics Rewarded-Mr. Kelley's Case. (From Our Regular Corres

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 5, The balls of Congress were pretty well filled to-day by Senstors and Representafilled to-day by Senators and Representa-tives-elect, who spent the hours preceding the meeting of the cancuses in renewing or making acquaintance or in talking about the probable formation of committees and the prospective legislation of the session. Some gathered in groups on the floor of the House and related amusing experiences of the campaign of the last summer. The best good numor prevailed everywhere, and the office-seekers availed themselves of the easy access to congressmen to urge their claims to preferment.

The biennial drawing for seats will take place next Monday, and many of the new members fixed in their minds to-day the seats they will choose if they should happen to make a lucky draw for the choice.

IN THE GALLERIES. Was about. SENATOR BARRIS.

The Democratic senators have acted wisely, according to common judgment, in selecting Isham G. Harris, of Tennessee, as their candidate for President protem of the Senate. He has presided over that body a great many times during the last five years, and proved himselfone of the most capable and fair men who have occupied the chair.

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WHY SHERMAN WAS ELECTED.
Senator Sherman, who will receive the honor by the vote of the Republican majority of the Senate, is well versed in the rules, but that consideration was not specially influential in causing his selection. Some of the more radical Republicans regard it as an endorsement of his bloody-shirt antics in the recent campaign in Ohio. New York, and Virginia, Indeed his friends claimed that the honor for him partly upon the ground that as he had been savagely attacked by some of his partly papiers for his course in the Ohio campaign, his brother senators ought to give him a vote of confidence.

DISSATISFACTION.

way to motives of expediency,

CIVIL SERVICE,

The Senate Committee on Civil Service
Reform has been provided with a room for
its deliberations during the Forty-minth
Congress by reconstructing and fitting up
the basement spartment that had been
previously used as a closet for Senate emproyees. As now fitted up it makes a very
good committee-room.

Congressinan George Wise will introduce in the House a resolution calling on the State Department for copies of all the correspondence with the Austrian Government in relation to the recall of Munister Kelley, it is stated upon good authority that the reply of Mr. Bayard to the request of the Austrian Government for Kelley's recall is spirited and dignified, and would be uncommonly interesting reading for the public; but the State Department may respect the desire of Austria that the correspondence be treated as confidential.

Much interest has been manifested to-day

WASHINGTON, December 1.

which members of the above of the provention members of the above of the proty-minth Congress. Hon John Randolph Tucker, of Virginia, was made temporary chairman, and Messus, Beach, of New York, and Breckinder.

of Kentucky, earlier of the Archive of Virginia was medicated to select officers. and Mr. Carlisle, who was nominated on was effected. The causes timmediately proceeded to select officers and Mr. Carlisle, who was nominated on Speaker by Mr. Wills, of Kentucky, was unanimously electical, a committee, consisting of Messus, and the control of the causes immediately proceeded to select officers and Mr. Carlisle who was nominated for the causes. The carlisle of the causes in the cause of the causes of the

tion, and the nominations agreed upon will be presented in the House on Monday by Mr. Tucker.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS. John Sherman Numinated for President of

the Senate, &c.
[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]
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WASHINGTON, December 5.—Upon the meeting of the caucus of the Republican senators to-day a motion was made that the caucus proceed to ballot for President of the Senate. Upon the ballot being taken Sherman received all the votes but four, and upon motion of Mr. Edmunds the nomination was made unanimous. Mr. Sherman rising, said:
"Senators.—I return you my hearty thanks for the high honor you propose to confer upon me. Your choice, no doubt, has been influenced by that fact that I have long been a member of the Senate; still my duties heretofore have not given me the practical experience necessary for a good presiding officer. I can only say in accepting the position assigned me that I will do all I can fairly and impartially to observe and enforce the rules of the Senate and shall refy greatly upon your forbearance and courtesy."

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It was then determined that bills relating to presidential elections, and also to the presidential succession, which had passed the Senate during the last Congress, should be introduced as soon as practicable, and after proper reference and consideration should be promptly passed. The presidential-succession bill referred to here is that known as the Hoar bill of last Congress. It confers succession to the president of the confers succession to the president on the very succession to the president and Vice-President upon the Secretary of State, or, if that office is vacant, then upon the Secretary of the Treasury, the succession passing to other members of the Cabinet in turn in cases of vacancy. The electoral-count bill—also to be reintroduced by order of the Republican cancussis that known as the Edmunds bill of last Congress. Its pivotal feature is the provision that each State may, by its own tribunal, determine all controversies with regard to its own electoral votes. bunal, determine all controversies with re-gard to its own electoral vote. HOUSE CAUCUS.

make Reed's nomination unanimous, and it was carried.

The following is the ticket for the minor officers of the House; Clerk, W. O. Crosbie, of lows; Sergeant-at-Arms, Captain Albert D. Marsh, of Indiana; Doorkeeper, Colonel Joseph H. Seiden, of Connecticut; Postmaster, A. W. Adams, of Maryland; Chapiain, Rey, Dr. F. L. Britt, of Neoraska.

Mr. Price, of Wisconsin, offered a resolution for the appointment of a committee of three members to prepare and urge the passage of a bill guarding against the possibility of a vacancy in the office of President of the United States, but subsequently withdrew it and offered the following, which was adopted without opposition;

Resolved, That it is the sense of this caucus that immediate action be taken by the On motion of Mr. Thomas, of Illinois, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the caucus favors the passage of a properly guarded Mexican pension solders of the late war, their widows and orphans, similar to the bill passed by the Senate during the Forty-eighth Congress; and we declare in favor of the unconditional repeal of limitation on the payment of arrears of pensions.

THE RULES OF THE HOUSE. Mr. Randall Interviewed in Relation to the Proposed Change. [By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

WASHINGTON, December 5 .- Mr. Randall to-day gave to a reporter of the Associated Press his views respecting the proposition to change the rules of the House so as to take from the Committee on Appropriations jurisdiction over some of the appropriation bills

"The appropriations for the Agricultural Department from 1877 to 1880 inclusive when they were under control of the Committee on Appropriations averaged \$190.647 per annum. From 1881 to 1886 the strendtural appropriation bits being under control of the Committee on Appropriations averaged \$139.516 per annum. The appropriations for rivers and harbors from 1876 to 1880, when this subject was controlled by the Committee on Appropriations, averaged \$13,90.285 per annum. From 1881 to 1885 inclusive, during which the Committees on Commerce and Rivers and Harbors have had the subject in hand, the annual appropriations have averaged \$13,571,243. If this enormous increase of expenditure characterizes the first experiment of the withdrawal of these two subjects from the protecting safeguards heretofore enforced moder the existing rules and generally since the foundation of the Government, who can tell the devastation of the public finances when the Treasury doors are thrown wide open to the unrestricted and unrestrained machinations and combination might even enter Congress itself, and the General Government would then become a hotbed to start into existence a very dangerous policy. The same reasoning that would take from the Committee on Appropriation tolls would likewise devolve the function of an appropriation committee upon nearly every other committee of the House, as, for instance, the reasons that would turn the naval bill over to the Committee on Naval Affairs would just as logically send the estimates for public buildings and Grounds; for the surveying and other expenses of the public domain to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds; for the surveying and other expenses of the public domain to the Committee on Committee on Committee on Committee on Committee on Labor; for the improvement of the Mississipp river to the Committee on Leves and Improvements of the Mississipp pitce; for the improvement of the Mississipp pitce; for a the present legitlative expenses of information toothers and propriations of t

A Boundary-Line. WASHINGTON, December 5 .- The Secretary of State and the Mexican Minis-Secretary of State and the Mexican Mini-ter to-day signed an agreement extend-ing for eighteen months the time allowed for establishing the boundary-line between the United States and Mexico west of the Rio Grance.

man C. Satler and his wife, an elderly cou-ple living in this city, were found dead in ted this morning, having been suffocated from coal gas from a stove in their room.

ENGLISH FOLITICS.

A PERPLEXING SITUATION.

Review of the Campaten-Mr. Gladstone Manoruvres-Practically Four Parties in Enginnd. By cable to the Dispatch. LONDON, December 5 .- The politi-

cal situation to-night is one of perplexity

cal situation to-night is one of perplexity to all British politicians. The Liberais close the week with a tie, with Tories and Parneillites combined. There are, however, enough constituencies yet to vote to make the whole issue one of absolute uncertainty.

A giance at the history of the campaign will make the reason of this plain. When Gladstone was defeated on the parliamentary vote, in which the Home-Ruiers withdrew their strength from him, he knew that his absontees' votes added to the votes he tailled: would be more than sofficient to overcome the entire alited opposition. He was disgusted with his relationship with the Irish party, and confident in his strength, resigned power in order to regain it on a new foundation, whereon he would be incepted to the Irish members. He desired to have at his tuck a British majority, so that whatever he might do for Iriand should be accepted as a concession and not as an extortion.

GLADSTONE'S MISTAKE.

THE SALISBUEY COMPACT,

THE HOME-Rulers accordingly filted with the Radicals in order to secure better terms from the Conservatives. The latter finally agreed to the Irish terms of Parnell. The Salisbury compact was announced. By this time Gadstone had become thoroughly aroused, and by main force he compelled the Radicals to return to their allectance to the Liberal party, but they had so generally and theromaty committed themselves to disestablishment that their reunion with the grand od man's followers scared away from hims arree number of moderate Liberals who went over to the Tories to "save the Church. Those accessions were so numerous that the Conservatives threw aside all other issues and pedged themselves before the country as defenders of the English Church. In this attitude they received so much encouragement that they feit certain of success without the Irish help. So after this had been turned over to them by the manifeste from Parnell the Conservatives rejudiated it and posed as a pure and unalloyed English party.

GLAISTINE'S TACKING.

In the mean time Gladstone, by almost superhuman efforts, had succeeded in dwarfing the importance of the dissistabilishment issue by localizing it in Scotland, where it is popular with the majority, and throwing if out from the campaign altogether in England, where it is unpopular with the majority. By this achievement he stopped the religious stamped from his ranks and brought back thousands of descriters. Votting had now begun in the laice towns. The Liberal party gradually given together, and the Tory party, left without a distinct issue, as gradually dwindled.

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THE PARNELLITES AND TORIES.

A week ago the Conservatives were so certain of retaining power that a Cabinet council was called to meet next. Monday to arrange the Government programme. Today the situation is so changed that this council has been postponed for a week in order to a wait the final outcome of meeter-tion before taking any action looking towards either retention or surrender of power. It is plain that Lord Salisbury is now disinclined to remain in office without the necessary support to carry on the government. The Liberals are divided in opinion as to whether they should take office or not. The Radical-domand, if the Liberals secure a majority of twenty members over the number elected by the Conservatives and l'armellites together, Lord Salisbury shail resign before Farliament opens. They take the ground that the Liberals can easily carry on the government with everso small a majority, arguing that enough Conservatives can always be depended on to support the Ministry against the Parnellites and their allies to insure a majority on all imperial measures. The moderate Liberals however prefer that Gisdatone shall decline office and adopt a policy of guarded support of Lord Salisbury.

A RECAST OF PARTIES,

This policy involves the practical recasting of party lines—a union of the moderate Liberals and Conservatives as against the Irish and Radicals. Such an organization, if arranged, would really form a new English party, which would have a tremendous majority in the House of Commons, and would throw the Home-Ruders into such a powerless minority that their party might be expected to soon fall to pieces by reson of its very inefficiency.

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PRESS OPINIONS.

The **Speciator** advocates such an organization, which it says would free the Conservative party from the pressure of **Farnellite** demands and give the Liberals their proper influence in the management of British affairs. The fact that the **Speciator** is frequently inspired by Gladstone, and that in this instance it insists as a condition of the proposed alliance that Lord Salisbury shall first neet Parnell with a positive and direct refusal of coalition, would indicate that the primary aim of hoth Gladstone and the Tory Premier just now is to found in British politics an element which shall always be able to place the imperial affairs beyond the dictation of hish politicians. Both may calculate that such an alliance as is proposed between them will have the ultimate effect of rendering impossible, in its effectiveness, the reappearance of such a disturbing and tremendous organization as Parnell has succeeded in creating and operating.

CHURCHILL

In the Conservative party Lord Bandolph Churchill leads the element which favors meeting Parnell's demand for a broad measure of local seligovernment for Ireland in return for the support of the Nationalists on Tory measures concerning local taxation in England, land-law reforms, and foreign policy. The more powerful among the Conservative party, are strongly opposed to forming any coalition with Parnel.

Opposition to the Leagues.

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They prefer arranging with Gladstone for united opposition to the Leagues' demands I hey even advocate that no matter how the elections result, Lord Salisbury shall remain in office, open Parliament, and challenge a vote of confidence. It is reported that the Fremier himself favors this latter line of confidence, It is reported that the Fremier himself favors this latter line of confidence. It is reported that the Fremier himself favors this latter line of confidence. It is reported that the Fremier himself favors this latter line of confidence in the supporters that any attempt on his part to arrange a compact with Parnell will lead to an immediate secession from his (Salisbury's) party of a large body of Tories, who will go over to the Gladstone opposition.

The CONSENSUS OF OPINION.

From all this it is easy to see that the consensus of English opinion to-night is to the effect that whatever positical deals may be made in the immediate future, the next British Parliament will hardly last twelve months. Its desolution is considered probable even during the first ession. The majority of the linterests of Great Britain are in the hands of the Conservatives. The majority of the British business—men distrust Gladstone, because they regard his foreign polley as too philanthropic and notsufficiently hard-headed. An undoubted increase of activity in English trade followed the restoration of the Tories to power. This activity increased with the Tory prospects and is now declining with them. At present the Conservatives have become fearful of

Gladstone's return to power, and imagine that it will be followed by political chaos. PARALYZING BUSINESS.

This fear is beginning to paralyze business, particularly on the Stock Exchange. At the opening of the campaign, when the Conservative cares looked so hopeful. British consols and all foreign securities with the property of the public began to invest meney on an immense scale, and speculative activity went beyond anything before recorded in English history. Since the rural vote has diminished the Tory prospects the English market has become feverish and unsettled, and operators have become distrustful. It is announced to-night that if Parnell shall find himself unable to attend the coming Chicago Convention he will send a deputation to represent him, consisting probably of Bealy, Sexton, and Thomas Power O'Conner.

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The latest returns show that \$13 Liberals, 284 Torics, and 70 Parnellites have been cleeted. Seventy constituencies are yet unpolled of these twenty-two are English, one is Welsh, four are Scotch, and seventeen are Irish. A careful estimate of the probable results in the supposed districts by the Commission station shows that the House of San Liberals, 256 Conservatives, and 85 Farnellites.

HARTINGTON STAKS,

The Marquis of Hartington, speaking at Mattock to-night said that the attitude of the County of the County

services over the remains of King Alfonso have been arranged to take place on the 12th instant in the church of St. Francis the Great, the lancest edine of the kind in Madrid, so as to accommodate the immense number of distinguished persons who have signified their intention to be present.

The English Elections. [By cable to the Dispatch,] LONDON, December 5.—Returns from the elections for members of Parliament received up to 8 o'clock this after-noon show that the Liberals still have a slight majority over the Tories and Nation-alists thus far elected. The figures up to that hour showed the return of 307 Lib-erals, 242 Conservatives, and 62 National-lists.

[By cable to the Dispatch.] LONDON, December 5 .- James Stephens, ex-head-centre of the Fenian Brotherhood, has issued a manifesto to the Irish people concurring in the views of Parnell that the restoration of the Irish Parliament is the minimum of the demands of the Irish

[By cable to the Dispatch.]
VIENNA. December 5.—The Neue

Nissa, December 5 .- The terms of

peace offered by the Bulgarian Government An Association With a Long Name

An Association With a Long Name Suspends.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

FORT WORTH, TEXAS, December 5.—The Mutual Self-Endowment and Bevevolent Association of America, with headquarters in this city, and division others at Greenville, S. C. and San Francisco, Cala., has an spended payment. Three garnishments have been issued here by the members of the Association—one for the recovery of the amount of dues and assessments paid, and the other two forms the relieve of the failure, but hundreds of poor people have been made wealthy by the failure, but hundreds of poor people may be not been as the collected over \$1.000.000 and now has \$14,000 on hand. The loss of confidence on the part of members caused the stoppage of payment of assessments and this in turn caused the suspension of payment on coupons.

A Triple Tragedy.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

KANSAS CITY MO. Degember 5.—

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

KANSAS CITY. Mo., December 5.—

The Journal's Jefferson City, Mo., special says: Measure particulars have been received here of a triple tragedy to-day at Flynn Creek in Camden county. Pr. Lyons, residing on a farm near that place, has for several years past, purely as a matter of charity, cared for an imbedie named Williams, who has been considered harmless. To-day, without a word of warning, the idiot snatched up an axe and struck Dr. Lyons on the head killing him instantished surbance, came upon the scene just at this inneture, and procuring a rifle shot the idiot drad.

Fatal Railroad Cellision.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

New York, December 5.—An accident has just occurred on the Brooklyn side of the East-River Bridge railroad. Two trains came in collision, one man was killed and two or three others had legsor.

side of the East-River Bridge railroad. Two trains came in collision. One man was killed and two or three others had least or arms broken. Ambulances are at band. The cars are badly smashed.

No lives were lost. Five persons were seriously and a number of others slightly injured. Conductor F. E. Meyers, who was standing on the rear platform of the second train, was jammed in between the broken ends of the cars and had to be cut out of the wreck. Victor schaumburg, a young clerk, was similarly imprisoned, and was extricated with much difficulty. His left brikle was broken and his foot nearly cut off. He and Meyers were the worst injured near.

By telegraph to the Dunatch. WASHINGTON, December 5 .- All

Vorhees was instructed to put in nomina-tion for president pro tempore Senator Har-ris, of Tennessee. Senator Harris accepted the nomination, and in a short speech tharked the conference for the honor con-terred upon him. The cauchs adjourned at 12:36 without transacting any other busi-ness. A Schooner Ashore. By telegraph to the Dispatch.]
WASHINGTON, December 5.—The

Carlisle and Tilden's Letter. [By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., December ? Mr Tilden's letter to Speaker Carlisie, which was published this morning, was not received by Mr Carlisle until this evening, and he has not had the time to give its con-tents the careful perusal which he is sure they merit.

Oklahoma Intruders

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

WASHINGTON, December 5 .- Major

summer reports from Fort Reno that the

instructions regarding Oklahoma have been carried out, and that all introders have been removed, and that cattlemen with their herds are on the move. [By telegraph to the Dispatch.] WASHINGTON, December 5 .- The Democratic members of the House of Representatives met in caucus to-night and

Injunction Settled. SYRACUSE, N. Y., December 5 .-The New York Central and Hudson River and West Shore infunction has been set-tled in New York. Legal proceedings have been withdrawn.

Sheriff Crawford Not Killed. WILCOX, ARIZONA, December 5,-It has just been learned that Sheriff Craw-ford, of Graham county, who was reported to have been killed by Indians, is alive. The mutilated body of a man named Kil-ton was mistaken for that of the sheriff.

Railroad Rumor. [By telegraph to the Dispatch.]
ALBANY, N. Y., December 5.—It is rumored that the West Shore railroad was formally lessed to the New York Central Railroad Company at a special meeting held here this morning. THE OLD NORTH STATE.

RALEIGH'S NEWSY BUDGET.

New York, December 5.—The absorbing topic of interest on Wall street to-day has been the news respecting the estiments and withdrawal of the sull against the Sew York Central by parties in Syracuse, restraining that company from bearing or issuing bonds. Insiders had early information of the fact of the settlement, but the street was unusually slow in getting the information. At the opening prices were Fish Culture-Ruitrond Matters-Hilleit Die tilling-Tobacco - Valuation of Property-RALEIGH, N. C., December 5 .-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, December 5.—The weekly statement of the associated banks shows the following changes: Loans, decrease, \$2,872,900; specie, decrease, \$1,995,900; legal tenders, increase, \$400,700; deposite, decrease, \$4,765,700; circulation, increase, \$0,700; reserve, decrease, \$400,073.
The banks now hold \$22,983,188 in excess of the 25 per cent, rule.

BALTIMORE. BALTIMORE, December 5.—Virginia 6's. consels, 50; past-due cupons. 60's; new 10-40's, 35's; new 3's, 60's. North Carolina 6's, old, 115 bid. Bid to-day.

RICHMOND STOCK EXCHANGE. SATURDAY, December 5, 1696, SALES-FIRST BOARD, \$298.20 Virginia 5 per cent, fractional at 60%, 200 Richmond SECOND BOARD.-1,000 Richmond and

Meckienburg first 6's at 97%, 1,000 do. at large supplies of naterial were captured with it.

All the contractors on the Shelby-Rotherfordon division of the Atlantic and Northwestern railroad are now at work in good earnest. There are now over 500 hands at work upon the road.

Deputy-Revenue-Collector Young has made an extensive tour among the brandy-distilleries in Transylvania, Headerson, and Buncombe counties, and reports that an unusual amount of brandy is being made, especially in Henderson, where there are some twenty bonded distilleries.

A railroad meeting will be held at Rutherfordon on the 15th instant to take such CITY BONDS 14254

RAILROAD BONDS. 89% 89% 89% 61 64 167% 105% 107% 100 122 114% 116% P. consolidated 7's. R. and Ches. 8's...

Richmond and Petersburg 100
Petersburg Esliroad 109
Richmond and Alleghany 100
Char. Col. and Abg 100
Atlanta and Charlotte 100
North Carolina 100

Merchants and Planters 25 26 INSURANCE COMPANIES. GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, December 5, 1885, SALES REPORTED TO SECRETARY, SALES REPORTED TO SECRETARY.

WHEAT.—White, 70 bushels common at asc. Mixed, 600 bushels very good at \$1.03.

Red, 930 bushels prime Longberry on private terms; \$80 bushels common to good Longberry at 80c, to \$1; 288 bushels fair to very good Shortberry at 96 to 99c.

CORN.—White, 200 bushels prime (new) on private terms; 1.618 bushels common to very good (new) at 38 to 45c.

OATS.—Mixed, 50 bushels very good at 35c.

Sec. PEAS.-24 bushels blackeye on private FLOUR. We quote: Fine, \$2.75a\$3; superfine, \$3a\$3,50; extra. \$3.75a\$4; family, \$4a\$4.75; patent family, country, \$5.50a\$5.75. COTTON REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

At Roanoke warehouse, 47 bales. Market quiet and steady. LOW MIDDLING.—83/c, STRICT LOW MIDDLING.—83/ to 9c. MIDDLING.—93/c, STRICT MIDDLING.—93/c, GOOD MIDDLING.—93/c. MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK.

Freights steady.

BALTIMORE, December 5.—Flour steady and quiet. Wheat—Southern firm for beat grades; western higher; southern red, 93a obc.; amber, 98c.afl; No. 2 western winter red, spot. December, 90c.afl. Cornsouthern quiet and about steady—all new; western steady and quiet; southern white, 47a48c.; yellow, 4ba48c. Oatsfirmer; southern winterm 35a39c.; western white, 37a39c.; mixed, 34a36c.; Penusyivania, 35a39c. Provisions steady and moderately active, Sugar firmer; A, seft, 6%c. Whiskey steady at \$1.19afl.20. Other articles unchanged, Freights cull.

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PORT OF RICHMOND, DRC. 5, 1885.

PORT OF REWPORT'S NEWS, DEC. 5, [By telegraph.]

CINCINNATI. CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, December 5.—Flour active and unchanged, Wheat easier; No. 2 red, 95c. Corn active and firmer; No. 2 mired, see, 36a, 364c. Oatssteady; No. 2 mired, 3ta 314c. Pork firm at \$10,25. Lard in moderate demand at 56. Bulk-meats quiet and unchanged. Bacon firm and unchanged. Whiskey steady. Sugar unchanged. House and firm; common and light, \$5a, \$5,80; packing and butchers, \$3,85a\$4.

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December 5.—Wheat opened strong and 3cc. higher, but closed 1% under yesterday; becember. 87%885c; January. 87%889c; May. 93%2039c; No. 2 red. 90c. Corn weaker and closed %26c, lower; cash. 41a42c; becember and all the year. 40%2413c; January. 38a39c. Oatsdulland a shade easier; cash. 28cc; December. 283cc; January. 28cc. Moss-pork advanced 7%10c. early; receded and closed standy; cash. 88.90a59 for old; 89.90a510 for new packed; January. 89.87%3510.03%; Pebruary. 89.97%3510.15. Lard quiet and unchanged; cash. \$6.03\dash.65; January. \$6.10a50.15; February. \$6.15a56.23%, Box-ed meats quiet; dry-salted shoulders. \$3.70a3.75; short-rib.\$4.80a5a.85; diear. \$5.10a\$6.15. Whiskey quiet at \$1.15. Sugarsunchanged.

LOUISVILLE LOUISVILLE, December 5,—Grain steady, Wheat—No. 2 red. 94c. Corn—No. 2 white, 47c. Oats—New. No. 2 mixed. 31,832c. Pro-visions dull and unchanged. ST. LOUIS.

THE FOLLOWING BRANDS OF IMPORTED CHAMPAGNES always in stock: G. H. Mumm & Co. Moet & Chandon, Krug & Co., Geisler, L. Roederer, George Goulet, Fomery Sec, Henriot, "Do-MESTIC": Gold Sesl, Werner's Extra Dry, and Jules Mason, at CHRISTIAN WHITE & CO.'S. de 6-2w ST. LOUIS, December 5.— Flour unchanged, Wheat opened firm and closed le. below yesterday; No. 2 red. cash, 93½,94½c. December, 93½,94½c. Corn slow, closing 3, 3, 3, 5, c. below yesterday; No. 2 mixed, cash, 34½,934½c.; December, 34½,934½c. Oats firm and dull; No. 2 mixed, cash, 374,23½c.; December, 27½c. Whiskey steady at \$1.00. Provisions very quiet and slow.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, DEC. 6, 1885. MILWAUREE, December 5.—Flour changed. Wheat weaker: cash, 869 January, 875c. Corn steady; No. 5. Oats dull; No. 2. 29c. Provisions steam dees-pork-Cash, old, 88,90; new, 89,8 Prime steam lard-Cash or December, January, \$6,10. MINIATURE ALMANAC, DEC. 7. 1886. Sun rises 7:17 High Tips: Sun sets 4:47 Morning 5:28 Moon sets 6:26 Evening 5:38

WILMINGTON. WILMINGTON, N. C., December 5.—Top pentine firm at 34½c. Rosin firm; strained 82½c.; good. 57½c. Tar firm at 51.10 Crude turpentine-steady; hard, 51; yellow dip and virgin. 51.00. PORT OF RICHMOND, DRC, 5, 1885.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Roanoke, Couch, New York, merchandise and passengers, G. W. Allen & Co., agents,
Steamer Wyoming, Pannill, Philadelphia, merchandise and passengers, J. W. McCarrick, agent,

Steamer Aries, Gifford, Norfolk, United States mail, merchandise, and passengers.

NEW YORK COTTOR PUTURES. NEW YORK COTTON PUTUAMS.

NEW YORK December 5.—Cotton-receipts, 796 bales; gross receipts, 4 bales. Futures clused barely steady; m 101,300 bales; December 50,37aB3,8c; uary 50,36aB,85; February, 56,45aB,8c; uary, 50,76aB,8c; juary, 50,76aB,8c; April 50,55aB,8c; December 50,07aB,8c; April 50,55aB,8c; 510,07aB,8c; 510,55aB,8c; 51

[Reported for the Dia NonFolk, December 5 —R factory hand-picked, Sign quiet, Purchand at the So warehome, 750 ham.